

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9317

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FOR PROTOCOL

E.O. 11652 N/A  
TAGS: PDIP  
SUBJ: HOST COUNTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE

REF: STATE 189095

1. IN RESPONSE TO REF TELEGRAM:
  - A. THERE IS NO MADAOTRY LIABILITY INSURANCE LAW.
  - B. NOT APPLICABLE. WHILE NO MANDAOTRY LAW EXISTS, THERE IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT FOR PAYMENT TO HEIRS OF PERSONS KILLED BY AUTOMOBILES OR TO PERSONS INJURED.
  - C. NO REQUIREMENT.
  - D. ALL MEMBERS OF THE MISSION INCLUDING THOSE WH ENJOY ONLY OFFICAL ACTS IMMUTY LIABILITY INSURANCE ON THER PERSONALLY OWNED VEHICLES MEET MINIMUM LEVELS PRESCRIBED IN REQUIREMENT CITED IN B ABOVE.

THE EMBASSY HAS TANDING INSTRUCTONS ON MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATING PROCEDURES. INCLUDED IN THESE INSTRUCTIONS IS A SHORT PARAGRNEL ADVISING ALL PERSONNEL THAT VEHICLES SHOULD BE INSURED. THE AMERICAN MISSION ASSOCIATION IS AN AUTHORIZED AGENT FOR THE NATIONAL INSURANCE COMAPNY AND ASSISTS ANYONE WISHING TO PURCHASE INSURANCE. THE EMBASSY ENCOURAGES, BUT HAS NOT MADE IT LBLIGATORY, UNCLASSIFIED

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THAT EVERYONE CARRY INSURANCE DUE TO THE LOW LELGAL LIABILITY ESTABLISHED BY THE HOST GOVERNMENT (SEE B ABOVE). THE USAID DIRECTOR WHO HAS DIPLOMATIC STATUS, AS WELL AS ALL USAID DIRECT AND CONTRACTORS, CARRY INSURANCE AS A MATTER OF GOOD SENSE AS WLL AS THE FACT THAT THEY FALL UNDER CATEGORY AS MEMBERS OF ADMINISTRATIV AND TECHNICAL STAFF. THE EMBASSY IS CURRENTLY ATTEMPTING TO RESOLVE THE

PROBLEM OF IMMUNITY FOR THIS GROUP.

E. NO PROVISION FOR DIRECT LEGAL ACTION AGAINST INSUREERS.

F. NO.

G. N/A

H. YES, THE NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY IS UNDER FINANCIAL SPONSORSHIP OF THE HOST GOVERNMENT.

I. NO, RATES ARE NOT DIFFERENT.

J. NO DIFFERENCE.

K. NOT REQUIRED.

L. NO

M. YES, THE PREVAILING SYSTEM WORKS WELL, IN PART BECAUSE THE LEGAL LIABILITY LIMITS ARE VERY LOW.

N. NO SYSTEM EXISTS.

2. FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION, THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXCERPT FROM THE HOST GOVERNMENT GAZETTE:

" IN THE EVENT OF DEATH , THE HEIR OF THE DECEASED PERSON SHALL BE GIVEN A SUM OF RS. 2,000.00 FOR FUNERAL RITES AND RS.3,000.00 TO RS. 6,000.00 AS COMPENSATION, AND IN THE EVENT OF DISABILITY, IF THE PARTS OF THE BODY ARE FOUND TO BE USELESS EVEN AFTER THE TREATMENT, A SUM OF RS. 2,000.00 TO 5,000.00 SHALL BE GIVEN AS EXPENSE AND IF THE PARTS OF BODY ARE FOUND TO BE USEFUL A SUM OF RS1,000.00  
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TO 2,000.00 SHALL BE PROVIDED AS INJURY EXPENSE."

3. THE RATE OF EXCHANGE IS RS. 12.45 - U.S. \$1.00, THEREFORE RS. 1,000 - U.S. \$80.  
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